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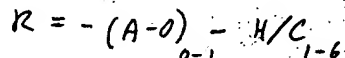
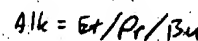
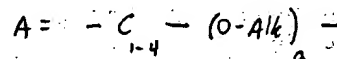
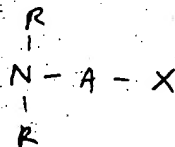
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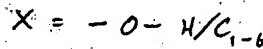
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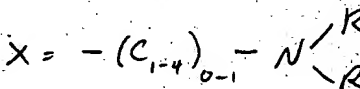


- Claims (6 specifically of 4, 6, 8, 10 claimed adjuvant compounds) are attached

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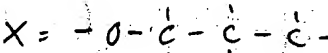


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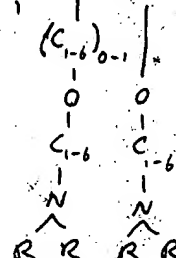
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- Adjuvants are used with herbicides such as: glyphosate, fomesafen, paraquat (c/ 14)

a: for IA, IB; a = 1 to 400

for IC: sum of all a's = 3 to 400



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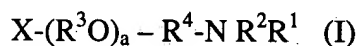
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Appendix 1 - Clean Version of all Pending Claims

1. (Amended) An agrochemical composition comprising an agrochemical active ingredient and an adjuvant of formula (I) or salts thereof



wherein R^1 and R^2 are independently hydrogen or a lower alkyl group or a group $X'-(R^3O)_a-R^4-$

wherein R^3 and R^4 respectively may take any of the values of R^3 and R^4 as hereinafter defined

and wherein X' is $-OH$ or a lower alkoxy group containing from 1 to 6 carbon atoms and a' is from 0 to 400

R^3O is an ethoxy, propoxy or butoxy group or a random or block mixture thereof,

R^4 is a linear or branched chain alkylene bridging group containing from 1 to 4 carbon atoms, X is

(IA) $-OH$ or a lower alkoxy group containing from 1 to 6 carbon atoms or X is

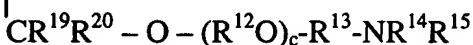
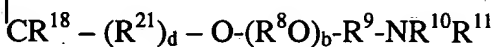
(IB) a group R^5R^6N- or $R^5R^6N-R^7-$

wherein R^5 or R^6 are independently hydrogen or a lower alkyl group or a group $X'-(R^3O)_a-R^4-$ as hereinbefore defined wherein X' is $-OH$ or a lower alkoxy group containing from 1 to 6 carbon atoms,

and R^7 is a linear or branched chain alkylene bridging group containing from 1 to 4 carbon atoms

or X is

(IC) a group



wherein R^{10} , R^{11} , R^{14} and R^{15} are independently hydrogen or a lower alkyl group or a group X' - $(R^3O)_a-R^4$ - as hereinbefore defined wherein X' is $-OH$ or a lower alkoxy group containing from 1 to 6 carbon atoms,

and R^8 and R^{12} are independently alkyl groups containing from 1 to 4 carbon atoms and R^9 , R^{13} and R^{21} are independently a linear or branched chain alkylene bridging group containing from 1 to 6 carbon atoms, R^{16} , R^{17} , R^{18} , R^{19} and R^{20} are independently hydrogen or a lower alkyl group and d is 0 or 1

and wherein a , is from 1 to 400 or if X is of formula IC, the sum of a , b and c is from 3 to 400.

2. A composition according to claim 1 wherein

X is $-OH$ or a lower alkoxy group containing from 1 to 4 carbon atoms or

X is R^5R^6N - wherein R^5 and R^6 are hydrogen or a lower alkyl group containing from 1 to 4 carbon atoms or

X is a group of formula IC'

$CH_2 - O -$

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 $CR^{18} - (R^{21})_d - O - (R^8O)_b - R^9 - NH_2$

$|$
 $CH_2 - O - (R^{12}O)_c - R^{13} - NH_2$

wherein R^8O and $R^{12}O$ are independently ethoxy, or propoxy or a random or block mixture thereof, R^9 and R^{13} are independently a linear or branched chain alkylene bridging group containing 2 or 3 carbon atoms, R^{21} is a linear or branched chain alkylene bridging group containing from 1 to 3 carbon atoms, R^{18} is hydrogen or lower alkyl containing from 1 to 4 carbon atoms, d is 0 or 1,

R^1 and R^2 are independently hydrogen or a lower alkyl group containing from 1 to 4 carbon atoms, R^3O is ethoxy, or propoxy or a random or block mixture thereof, R^4 is a linear or branched chain alkylene bridging group containing 2 or 3 carbon atoms and a is from 1 to 400 or if X is of formula IC' , the sum of a , b and c is from 3 to 400.

3. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1 wherein a is from 1 to 50 or if X is of formula IC or IC' respectively, the sum of a , b and c is from 3 to 90 and wherein in the group $X'-(R^3O)_a-R^4$ - if present, a is from 0 to 50.

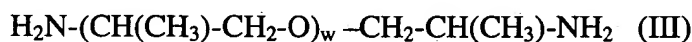
4. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the adjuvant of formula (I) is an alkoxyated monoamine, having the formula II



wherein the average degree of ethoxylation (x) is from 0 to about 45 and the average degree of propoxylation (y) is from 0 to about 90 provided that x and y are not both 0 at the same time.

5. A composition according to claim 4 wherein the value of x is from 0 to about 20 and of y is from about 2 to about 30.

6. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the compound of formula (I) is a diamine having a formula (III)



wherein w is an average of from about 1 to about 80.

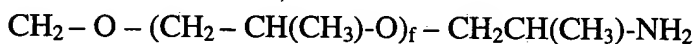
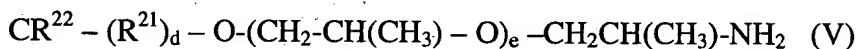
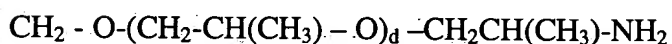
7. A composition according to claim 6 wherein w is an average of from about 2 to about 35.

8. A composition according to claim 1 wherein the compound of formula (I) is a diamine having a formula (IV)



wherein the sum of $r + t$ is an average of from 1 to 20 propoxy groups and s is an average of from 2 to 50 ethoxy units.

9. A composition according to claim 8 wherein the sum of $r + t$ is from about 2 to about 15 and s is from about 3 to about 20.
10. A composition according to claim 1 wherein the compound of formula (I) is a propoxylated triamine having the formula (V)



wherein the sum of $d + e + f$ is an average of from about 5 to 90, R^{22} is hydrogen or lower alkyl containing 1 to 4 carbon atoms, R^{21} is a linear or branched chain alkylene bridging group containing 1 to 3 carbon atoms and d is 0 or 1.

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11. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the proportion of adjuvant of formula (I) or salt thereof to the agrochemical active ingredient is from 1:20 to 3:1 by weight.

12. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the adjuvant of formula (I) or salt thereof is used in combination with an alkylpolyglycoside surfactant.

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13. A composition according to claim 12 wherein the ratio of the adjuvant of formula (I) to the alkylpolyglycoside surfactant is from 1:40 to 4:1.

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14. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the agrochemical active ingredient is a salt of glyphosate, a salt of fomesafen or a parquat salt.